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Marginal Column

By GEORGE LEONOF

THE latest Soviet reply to the West's repeated overtures for quadripartite talks on German unification and the Austrian peace treaty does not appear to have rejected, as early reports prejudged, the idea of a four-power meeting at Foreign Minister's level — at least on the question of German unification. The Kremlin's view that separate talks on Germany could be held after the five great powers, including the People's Republic of China, meet to discuss the relaxation of world tension in general, hint at a desire for some good, old-fashioned horse-trading — but on a wholesale basis.

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IT is not too presumptuous to believe that the Soviet Union is conscious of the West's reinforced bargaining power as a result of Chancellor Adenauer's recent electoral victory, nor that Soviet policy is sufficiently realistic to be prepared to make, if it must, concessions commensurate with this enhanced Western position. But it is also futile to disregard Moscow's awareness of a certain mellowing of the political climate in the West, where the idea of Big Five talks is beginning to be regarded as something more than a Soviet attempt to confuse the issue, or to sneak Mao Tse-tung's Government into world affairs through the back door. The Soviet Union could not have failed to grasp the implications of the statement last week by French Premier Joseph Laniel that France would not consider talks with People's China a "pact with the devil" if they could lead to some mutually acceptable negotiated solution to the war in Indo-China.

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QUITE apart from France's by now perennial preoccupation with Indo-China, and the imminence of Korean talks atop some as yet undetermined volcano with Rhee's rumbling clearly audible underfoot, there is the question of Formosa, of Japan's rearmament and the need for restoring stability generally to the Far East, which was torn by conflit years before hostilities broke out in Europe and to which peace — even the uneasy variety that is known to Europe — has till to return. There is every indication that the Soviet Union hopes to drive a better bargain in an overall approach to world problems than could be hoped for by separate settlements.

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THERE is a growing awareness in the West, too, that a greater degree of peace is unattainable without a certain amount of giving. One of the latest manifestations was a speech which the British Ambassador to the United States, Sir Roger Makin, made at Louisville, Kentucky, last Tuesday and in which he called for a modification of America's' method and approach towards negotiation as a means of political action. Sir Roger deplored the conception that any yielding to the other side, however slight, should immediately be termed "appeasement," or that failure to obtain full satisfaction at negotiations should be a sign for withdrawing from the conference table altogether.

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THE British envoy's laments are shared by others, and fall on not unsympathetic ears within the United States itself. The idea of give-and-take in negotiations is certainly not an original one, but one which has been discredited of late largely because of assertions that the West, if it gives, must sacrifice the fundamental principles of human dignity and freedom without which life loses all meaning, that earlier concessions have left the world called Free with an irreducible minimum. The other half of the world makes like assertions, that further concessions would rob it of its peace and security.

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THESE claims, too, are not new. The world has heard them before and remembers that they had been most fervent immediately preceding some new concession. It is now told that both East and West agree that talks on German unification should be held between the Foreign Ministers of the Big Four. If the sole remaining difference on this issue is whether they should precede or follow broader, five-power talks, then it has witnessed another concession for which not the *hoteliers* of Lugano alone may be grateful.

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Eisenhower Raps USSR for Blocking Talks on Germany

WASHINGTON, Wednesday, (Reuter). — President Eisenhower today accused the Soviet Government of seeking to prevent a Four-Power Conference on Germany and Austria. He made the statement at his news conference.

"We are studying the Soviet Note received yesterday. It is negative and rejects the proposal which the U.S., Britain and France made for an early Conference on Germany and Austria.

"It seems further to seek to prevent such a Conference by injecting impossible conditions regarding the European Defence Community, the NATO system of collective security and the position of Communist China. The Soviet Note manifests no intention to get together but an intention to create as many difficulties as possible.

"We have tried time after time to get a meeting about Germany which will bring about unification. We have been trying to get a meeting about Austria which would liberate that country."

Churchill, Ike To Consult on Note

LONDON, Wednesday (UP). —Prime Minister Sir Winston Churchill is planning early consultations with President Eisenhower on Russia's virtual rejection of the West's invitation to four-power talks in Lugano next week, reliable sources reported today.

Moscow Warns West On German Troops

PARIS, Wednesday (Reuter). — The Russian Note has told the Western Powers they must drop plans for a European Army with West German soldiers if they want a Big Four conference on an all-German peace settlement, an authoritative source stated here today.

French officials said that the Note showed the Russians want to encourage French hesitations about ratifying the European Army Treaty which provides for raising West German soldiers.

They said the Note stated more bluntly than ever before that ratification would mean no Big Four Meeting on Germany.

The Note reminded the French that they have a treaty with Russia providing that the partners take joint measures against the rebirth of German militarism.

The Note accused the Western Powers of ignoring the Potsdam Agreement of 1945 in their Notes of October 15 proposing the Lugano meeting.

The Russians complained that the creation of Western military bases, mainly in the vicinity of the Soviet Union and its allies, clearly showed that they were intended to be used aggressively. Also pressure was being placed in certain European and Middle and Near East countries, including Persia, to give territory for Western bases.

This menaced Soviet security and was leading to further aggravation of international tension and increased danger of a World War.

The Note said it was indispensable to agree on urgent study of measures to ease world tension that called for a Big Five conference. Russia, it added, was ready to take into account new possibilities which existed to assure security in Europe.

Jerusalem Shoe Firm Warns of Closing

The Jerusalem Shoe Corporation, largest factory in Jerusalem employing over 300 workers, has announced its intention to close. According to advertisements in today's Press the factory is planning to close on November 13 "due to an inability to receive import licences for the quota of raw materials due to us."

It continues with an attack on the Ministry of Commerce and Industry for inefficient and chaotic administration. It attacks the "dictation by vested interests" in the shoe and leather industry by the tanners.

The Jerusalem Shoe Corporation's plant was completed by Solel Boneh after a 120-day building programme in August, 1950 on a 16-dunam tract in the Romema quarter. The Corporation is owned by an American group headed by Mr. Joseph Sugarman, in association with the General Shoe Co. (the second largest shoemaking firm in the U.S.), and an associated Israel group headed by Mr. Nahman Habas.

Mr. Moshe Bar-Am, secretary of the Jerusalem Labour Council, told *The Jerusalem Post* that he regretted any addition to the already swelled rosters of Jerusalem unemployed, and in the measure that the Corporation's claims are correct, would support them.

The Ministry of Commerce and Industry would offer no comment last night.

ANTI-ISRAEL LAW

The Lebanon yesterday promulgated a law which increased punishment for persons found guilty of trading with Israel twelve-fold.

Refugee Aid at Stake, US Warns Arabs

UNITED NATIONS, Wednesday (UP). — The U.S. told Israel and her Arab neighbours today that they must act without delay to solve the problem of 800,000 Palestine refugees if they expect continued U.S. relief funds and warned that future U.S. policy hinges on Middle East developments.

Representative James P. Richards, U.S. Delegate to the Special Political Committee of the U.N. repeated a previous warning by a U.S. Congressional Committee that the U.S. is not disposed to "bear indefinitely so large a share of the burden" involved in the refugee situation when Israel and the Arab States "show so little initiative in helping to settle the matter among themselves."

"Continuation of substantial contributions to UNRWA," he said, "will inevitably, be determined by the progress which is made in the months ahead."

He also warned Israel directly to act quickly on compensations for refugees and said the U.S. looked to both the Arab States and Israel to "take bold and statesmanlike measures" for the success of the refugee programme. "Israel would be well advised to renew consideration of the responsibility for the possibilities of repatriation."

Extra Year

The U.S. has joined in sponsoring a resolution to continue the Refugee Relief Programme for one year. The resolution notes that the Arab refugees will not prejudice their rights to repatriation or compensation by accepting U.N. resettlement help.

The UNRWA Director's report admits that the results of the three-year plan begun by UNRWA in 1951 are "disappointing." It calls for a new six-year time-table.

The report says that all funds for direct relief have now been spent. Prospects for accomplishing the "self-supporting" objectives of the three-year plan are hampered by time-consuming efforts to find worthwhile projects, by the fact that surveys of projects took more time than expected, and partly by the attitude of refugees themselves. The report maintains that it would be "unthinkable to attempt to compel the refugees to accept facilities which they are determined to refuse."

Bid Fails to Raise Rome Flag in Trieste

TRIESTE, Wednesday. — Battling Italians hurled chairs and tables at Police here tonight after making an abortive attempt to raise the Italian flag over the Town Hall.

Police accompanied by British officers charged through the milling mob and made several arrests.

The attempt to hoist the flag over the Town Hall in the huge Piazza Unita on the sea front came towards the end of Italy's World War I Armistice Day. It was also the 35th anniversary of Italy's takeover here from Austrian troops after World War I.

General Sir John Winterton, British Commander of the Zone, had banned display of Italian flags on all public buildings.

Some of today's mob of several hundred were from Trieste but most of them appeared to be Italian ex-servicemen who had come here from Redipuglia, just outside the Zone, where formal Armistice commemorations attended by Premier Giuseppe Pella were held at the National War Memorial earlier in the day. *(Reuter, UP)*

Finnish Cabinet Falls

HELSINKI, Wednesday (UP).—Agrarian Premier Urko Kekkonen's minority Cabinet resigned tonight following a vote of non-confidence by Parliament on its Housing programme yesterday.

Mr. Kekkonen's housing programme, which envisaged total Government subsidies of $21m. against the opposition's $32m. a year was voted down by the Grand Committee by 31 votes to 14.

Government Opposes Dole, Wants Works

By The Jerusalem Post Political Correspondent

The Israel Government favours extending the mandate given to UNRWA provided it is given a constructive programme, it is learned from Foreign Ministry sources in Jerusalem.

The Government, however, is opposed to granting the agency direct aid if resettlement and rehabilitation programmes are not carried out among the refugees.

It is pointed out that while the agency spent $121m. on temporary relief for the refugees, on food, clothing and housing, the $200m. allocation for rehabilitation has been hardly touched. During the last three years not one refugee has been settled in the Arab countries.

Israel would of course support the UNRWA Director's suggestion to exploit the Syrian part of the Euphrates Valley where 270,000 refugees could be resettled quickly and cheaply.

His report suggests that Arab Governments take over the UNRWA programme. This raises the question of proper utilization of funds. It is no secret that the handling of funds by these Governments and Arab commercial agents leaves much to be desired.

New U.N. Plan To Ease Korean Talks

PANMUNJOM, Wednesday (UP). — The U.N. may attempt to break the deadlocked preliminary talks today with a proposal that subcommittees simultaneously discuss composition, time and place of the Korean Peace Conference.

U.N. quarters said the subcommittee proposal appeared to be a "perfect compromise" for solving the agenda problem which has blocked progress at nine previous meetings.

Special U.S. Envoy Arthur H. Dean has told the Communists that he is authorized by the U.N. only to negotiate the time and place of the peace conference but is willing to discuss neutral participation after agreement on the arrangements.

His proposal yesterday that the plenary delegates simultaneously discuss time and place with the question of composition was rejected by the Communists.

President Syngman Rhee, meanwhile, vehemently attacked the British sponsored suggestion that India be given limited representation at the Peace Conference as a compromise with Communist demands for neutral participation.

The South Korean President expressed confidence that the U.N. would not retract its opposition to neutral participation at the Conference and would not negotiate the issue in the current Panmunjom preliminary meetings.

In today's explanations, three of 206 Chinese requested repatriation, but only two of the requests were validated. The third prisoner was declared "mentally incompetent" by the Neutral Nations Commission and was sent to a hospital.

Germany Arrests Jews For Illegal Entry

MUNICH, Wednesday (AP). — Sixty-seven Jews from Israel were arrested here on Wednesday on charges of illegally returning to Germany. Police said the men will face a court.

Zvi Shimshi, Father of President, Early Zionist Leader, Dies at 91

We deeply regret to announce the death in Jerusalem yesterday of the President's father, Zvi Israel Shimshi, at the age of 91.

The funeral will leave Rehov Keren Kayemet at 1 p.m. today for the Rehavia Synagogue in Rehov Usishkin, where Chief Rabbi Herzog will eulogise.

Zvi Shimshi was born in Smargon in the Province of Vilna to a family of distinguished scholars and rabbis. In his boyhood and youth he received a thorough Hebrew education.

At the age of 18 he moved to Poltava in the Ukraine where he obtained employment in the flour mills.

He married Atarah Kopelevitz of a distinguished rabbinical family in Vilna. In 1884 she bore Izhak, destined to be President of Israel. After her death in 1905 he married her sister Deborah.

He was active in the Hovevei Zion movement since its early beginnings and joined the Zionist Organization soon after its inauguration by Herzl. He served as secretary of the Poltava Zionist committee and was a member of the Bnai Moshe group founded by Ahad Ha'am.

In 1906 he was arrested by the Czarist authorities for participating in the illegal Jewish self-defence in Poltava which was led by his son, Izhak. The latter succeeded in leaving for Palestine, but the father was sent to Siberian exile with his family. He remained in Siberia until the outbreak of the Russian Revolution.

In 1923 he left for Palestine and settled in Jerusalem where he lived for the last 30 years.

In Eastern Europe as well as in this country he was a contributor to numerous newspapers and magazines. He also wrote a book of memoirs of his early life which was published by Reuven Mass and a treatise on the family genealogy.

He is survived by his widow; President Ben-Zvi; another son, the writer A. Reubeni; two daughters — Mrs. B. Masur, wife of the President of the Hebrew University, and Mrs. Klugal, wife of Professor Klugal, of the Israel Institute of Technology.

In accordance with Jewish custom the President has cancelled all his engagements for the next 30 days.

Republicans Hurt By Democrats' Election Sweep

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (UP) — The Eisenhower Administration was hard hit today by a Democratic election triumph in New Jersey which sliced the Republican House majority to a pair of seats and took the Governor's office for the first time in 20 years.

Democratic leaders called off-year election returns from New Jersey, Virginia, New York and a scattering of other states the beginning of a trend which would sweep them into office in 1954 and 1956. Republicans conceded they were in political trouble — "as of today."

Democrats easily won New York city's municipal election and beat down a Republican effort to establish a two-party system in Virginia.

National interest centered on a by-election in New Jersey's 9th Congressional district which had been steadily Republican since it was established in its present boundaries 21 years ago.

Complete but unofficial returns today gave: Harrison A. Williams, Democrat, 68,870 votes; George F. Hotfield, Republican, 66,904 votes.

The new standing of parties in the house: Republicans 218; Democrats 215; Independent 1.

Democrat Robert F. Wagner, Jr., was easily elected mayor of New York in a light vote. Complete returns gave: Wagner, Democrat, 1,021,488; Harold Riegelman, Republican, 661,410; Rudolph Halley, Liberal, 468,392.

Sen. Harry F. Byrd's Democratic organization elected a Governor to defeat a powerful Republican effort to establish a two-party system in Virginia.

The Republicans were successful in winning a few minor seats in the local administrations of Philadelphia and Chicago, but on the whole the results were regarded as a Democratic sweep.

Another Congressional election is to be held in California next Tuesday.

AFTER MIDNIGHT

Former Prime Minister Mohammed Mossadegh is to stand trial "some time after next Friday," Teheran announced last night.

11th Hour Plea to B.G. To Remain at His Post

Mapai Hears Premier's Letter

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — A resolution on the "Ben Gurion Question" was again delayed today when the Mapai Central Committee resolved to appeal to the Prime Minister to remain at his post. The committee will reconvene on Sunday to hear Mr. Ben Gurion's final word.

It is believed that the appeal is merely a formal demonstration of loyalty and esteem by the members of the Committee. It is not likely that Mr. Ben Gurion will change his mind.

In a letter to Mr. M. Argov, Secretary-General of Mapai, which was read at the Committee meeting today, the Prime Minister put forth "extreme weariness" as the reason for his intended retirement. The coalition, Mr. Ben Gurion said, must continue, and be enlarged if possible: a clear hint to Mapam to assume responsibility for the reconstruction of the country.

Unanimous Call

The defence of the State Mr. Ben Gurion said, was in good hands. Before leaving he had made a thorough study of the defence forces, and proposed a series of improvements. The Army, Air Force and the Navy are solidly built, and "any nation could be proud of them."

There was a unanimous appeal from the members of the Committee to Mr. Ben Gurion to remain at his post. Most dramatic was a personal appeal by Mrs. Rivka Guber, of Kfar Warburg, whose two sons were killed in the War of Independence.

Mr. Ben Gurion, however reiterated his desire to leave the Cabinet, and asked his party to accept it as a fact, while "uniting their forces to fulfil their duty towards the state," a Mapai spokesman told the press at the end of the meeting.

The meeting lasted about two hours.

Mr. Ben Gurion wrote in his letter:

"The reason which impels me,

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Syria Gets Delay On Jordan River Debate

By JESSE HEL LURIE, Jerusalem Post Correspondent

NEW YORK, Wednesday. — The Security Council meeting scheduled for tomorrow on the Jordan River dispute has been postponed till next week at Syria's request.

The Arabs have not yet decided on their next moves, but as long as work is stopped, only Israel is interested in a speedy solution. According to the merits of the case, Israel's position is unassailable.

Israel's consultations with the Western Powers have been devoted to eliminating extraneous issues, such as the TVA plan and political considerations.

Doubts on Bennike

They have also pointed out the contradiction between the Security Council's praise of Israel's decision to stop work temporarily, and the statement made by the U.N. Chief of Staff who said a fortnight ago that this decision is valueless.

This casts some doubt on Gen. Bennike's accounts of frontier incidents, they assert.

Ambassador A. Eban in his speech at the Friday meeting of the Council on the situation along the frontiers, will attempt to elevate the discussions from the police court level of murder, arson and rape, to that of an international tribunal interested in maintaining peace.

He will describe with maps Israel's geographical situation, and will disclose Israel's many attempts to reach a settlement with the Arabs. He will reject the idea that the situation may be improved by low level technical improvements, such as a more thorough U.N. supervision of the Armistice, and will demand high level action towards permanent peace.

Morrison: Stronger Egypt Danger to Israel

LONDON, Wednesday (INA).—"A stronger Egypt is likely to endanger the security of Israel and as a consequence the peace of the entire region," Mr. Herbert Morrison, former Labour Foreign Secretary, said during today's debate on the Queen's speech.

Mr. Morrison urged the British Government to strive for peace in the region, particularly for peace between Israel and the Arab states. "If as a result of the Anglo-Egyptian agreement the military power of Egypt is strengthened, to the extent that Israel is endangered, it will be regrettable."

'SHOWDOWN FIGHT SET'

SUEZ, Wednesday (UP).—Egyptian Vice-Premier Gamal Nasser told a huge rally here yesterday that his government has not lost a moment in preparing for a showdown battle to throw British troops from the Canal.

Nasser chose Suez as the spot for fiery attacks against Britain as Anglo-Egyptian talks reached a critical stage.

"Despite formal and informal negotiations, we have never spared a moment in increasing our armed strength," Nasser declared. "When D-Day comes, 22,000,000 Egyptians will be ready to enter the Battle for Liberation.

In Cairo, President Nagib called on Egyptian youth to enrol in the newly formed National Guard at a march-past of 3,000 guardsmen armed with rifles and sub-machineguns.

An Open Letter to the Ministry of Commerce and Industry

The Jerusalem Shoe Corp. is closing down on November 13. We are closing due to an inability to receive import licences for the quota of raw materials due to us.

The Minister of Commerce and Industry spoke at length at the recent Economic Conference of the necessity to develop private investment in Israel. The present chaos and inefficiency of administration existing in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry will destroy any hopes for future private investments from abroad. The present policies of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry will result in encouragement of cartels, discouragement of competition and protection of the least efficient elements in our economy.

It is exceedingly unhealthy if industry and the country are forced to bow to the dictates of vested interests in industry, and their attitudes as to how businesses must be run in the country. In the end, the ordinary citizen of Israel will have to foot the bill.

What is now happening in the shoe and leather industry is an example of dictation by vested interests. The tanners have demanded that the import of hides be placed in the hands of the tanners and that the raw materials be distributed according to a key to be set up by the tanners themselves. They are to be free to make the kinds of leather they want, at the prices they decide to charge.

Under such a system the shoe manufacturer has no assurance that he will be able to buy either the kind or the quality of leather the citizens of Israel need. The public will be at the mercy of the tanners as to delivery and price.

The Jerusalem Shoe Corp. has demanded a system under which the shoe manufacturer can be assured of getting the quality and the type of hides it needs to make the best possible leather for the public and not for the greatest profit of the tanner; that it should be able to choose to buy from the tanner who is willing and has the ability to make good leather at a reasonable price, and not be forced to buy from a tanner not of its choice without regard to price or quality.

The Jerusalem Shoe Corp. does not care who imports the hides but it does not believe that the public or the shoe industry should be at the mercy of the tanners.

Under the system now being demanded by the tanners there will be higher prices for shoes and the shoes will be of poorer quality. This is contrary to our consistent fight to give the public a high quality product at the lowest possible price.

We have made a proposal to the Government for handling the import of hides. This proposal was designed to protect the public, the tanners, and the shoe manufacturers. This proposal was accepted by the Director General of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry and was proposed for acceptance to the tanners. The tanners have so far refused to accept the proposal.

If there must be controls and allocations we prefer they be done by the sovereign State of Israel for the public good and not by the tanners or any other group of manufacturers or by any private organization.

For over four months the Ministry of Commerce and Industry has been unable or unwilling to establish its policy in this matter. In the meantime it has been withholding the licences, to which the Jerusalem Shoe Corp. is entitled both by contract and by moral right; licences, which were specifically promised to it by the Ministry over four months ago.

We regret that we are being forced, by lack of action on the part of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, to shut down. We regret that we are being forced to throw over 300 workers out of work in the city of Jerusalem, the city to which the Ministry promised special help and consideration in its present difficulties.

THE JERUSALEM SHOE CORPORATION LTD.

Jerusalem, November 4, 1953.

Social & Personal

The Directors of the Bank Leumi gave a dinner at the King David Hotel, Jerusalem, last night, on the occasion of the Bank's 50th Anniversary. Amongst the 150 guests were most members of the Cabinet, and of the Jewish Agency Executive, representatives of the Hebrew University and other notables. The Prime Minister sent a message regretting his inability to attend.

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Mr. Levi Eshkol, Minister of Finance, yesterday received Mr. F. Monosson, of Boston, Mr. A. Rabinowitz, Dr. M. Pom and Mr S. Kotan, British company directors, and Mr. Alfred Korn, of Argentina. During the day the Minister visited the Serafon chemical and plastic factory in Rehovot.

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Professor Abraham Fraenkel has been appointed by the Cabinet to fill the vacancy on the State Education Committee caused by the death of Professor Simha Assaf. Mr. Hanoch Yallon was appointed to fill the vacancy in the Hebrew Academy.

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Dr. and Mrs. S. Lewin-Epstein gave a reception at their home in Jerusalem last night on the occasion of next Friday's opening of the Hebrew University-Hadassah Dental School. Present were representatives of the Ministry of Health, members of the Planning Committee of the Dental School and representatives of the School and of the University.

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Sir Simon Marks left by B.O.A.C. for London yesterday.

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Mr. Rafael Kubelik arrived by T.W.A. yesterday to conduct the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra in a series of concerts.

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Mr. Edwin Samuel will speak on "Corruption in Public Life" at today's luncheon meeting of the Tel Aviv-Jaffa Rotary Club at Z.O.A. House.

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EXPRESSION OF THANKS

Menachem and Geulah (née Muenchhausen) Loewi, Rishon-le-Zion — Ramat Gan, wish to thank all their relatives, friends and acquaintances, also in the name of their parents, for the many congratulations and good wishes on the occasion of their marriage.

3 Knesset Members In Boston for Bond Drive

BOSTON, Wednesday (UP). — Three Knesset members came here today to make fiscal and political reports at the first Israel Bond stockholders' meeting.

They are Dr. Arye Altman and Messrs. George Flesch and Itzhak Ben Aharon.

Where to go

JERUSALEM

- **Archaeology:** — Permanent Exhibition, Dept. of Antiquities, 25 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech. Daily 9—1, 4—6.
- **Exhibitions:** — Works by Ze'ev Ben-Zvi; 28 Canadian Paintings, "Girl," by Chaim Soutine; "New Hellenistic and Roman glass vessels", Bezalel National Museum, 9-1, 3-5. Works and marionettes by Dr. Paul Loewy; paintings by Ben Hoffner, Artists' House, 10-1, 4-6.
- **Tour:** — Hebrew University conducted tour, new administration building, King George Ave., opposite Terra Sancta, 10 a.m.
- **Film Shows:** — Keren Hayesod, 11.30-12.30.
- **Lecture:** — Mr. Freiman, guide, the synagogues of Jerusalem, auspices Hitachdut Olei America, Government Tourist Office, Rehov Ben Yehuda, 6.30 p.m.

TEL AVIV

- **Theatre:** — "My Sister Eileen," Chamber Theatre, Mograbi, 9 p.m. "Caution, Road Under Repair," Li-La-Lo, Yasha Heifetz Hall, 7.15 and 9.45 p.m.

RAMAT GAN

- **Theatre:** — Do-Re-Mi, "Countess Maritza," Operetta, Rama Hall, 8.30 p.m.

REHOVOT

- **Weizmann Memorial Lectures:** — Symposium on Physics, Professors Niels Bohr, Herman Mark, Giulio Racah, Dr. Aage Bohr, Dr. Stefan Rosental Beth Ha'am, 9 a.m. Haemoglobin in Health and Disease; Professor Linus C. Pauling; Beth Ha'am, 3 p.m.

During the next few days, the well known dance couple Emily Frankel and Mark Ryder will come to Israel and give a series of dance performances. The dancing of Emily Frankel excels by her original presentation and offers a wonderful combination in her dancing of dramatics, movement, humour, satire, jazz, ballet and phantasy. The American press highly praised the extraordinary choreography of the dancing couple and emphasized their outstanding ingenuity. (Advt.)

Press Review :

'Czechs Knew What They Did'

"Ha'aretz" (Independent) heads its leading article "Injustice in Prague." The paper says that Mapam wishes to explain the Oren affair as a "tragic error"; the fact that innocent people have been sentenced to such lengthy prison terms is undoubtedly tragic (and especially so they happened to be sympathizers with the Communist cause). There has been apparently no "error" or "mistake": the Czech authorities knew very well what they were doing; the present verdict is only a result of the system of Communist political trials. The paper deplores the fact that even the most elementary international usage was discarded: Israel diplomatic representatives had not been invited to the trial, nor has the accused been given a defence counsel.

"Davar" (Histadrut) advances the theory that Oren was probably spared a trial altogether, and that the verdict was communicated to him in an "administrative way." "Hador" (Mapai) reports that Mapam leaders were convinced until the last moment that Oren would be released any moment. "Kol Ha'am" (Communist) does not comment at all yesterday on the Oren affair and evades the issue even in the paper's press survey. "Al Hamishmar," on the other hand, accuses the Communist paper of identifying itself with the Prague allegations.

Foreign Policy Hit

"Herut" criticizes Israel foreign policy in connection with the Oren affair and says that the "oreign Ministry should not have shown such indecent haste in accepting Soviet overtures to reestablish diplomatic relations as long as these proposals were coupled with the demand for a unilateral declaration on the part of this country. The paper also says that it should not be forgotten that Oren and Orenstein were not accused as individuals but for taking part in a "Jewish world conspiracy," which means that the present verdict is an openly hostile act vis-à-vis this country and to Jews everywhere. "Herut" concludes by saying that the lesson of the "trial" will be learned by the youth of this country.

Other topics dealt with in the editorial columns yesterday include the jubilee of the Bank Leumi (Anglo-Palestine Bank). "Davar" carries a special two-page supplement and surveys in its leading article the many achievements of the bank in 50 years of existence; an editorial in "Hatzofe" (World Mizrahi Union) states that the ups and downs in the history of the bank reflected to a large degree the fluctuations in the history of the Yishuv and the Zionist movement.

"Haboker" (General Zionist) comments on the latest propaganda lies broadcast by the Jordan Government: the allegation that the attempt to blow up the Haifa-Tel Aviv railway was carried out "by the Jews themselves"; that Israel forces had cut the Old City water supply; that they had attacked Bet Iksa, etc. The paper demands that Israel spokesmen should not merely reject these inventions but also denounce the entire system of attempting permanently to mislead public opinion abroad and the U.N. observers.

"Al Hamishmar" and "Zmanim" (Progressive) comment on Mr. Ben Gurion's resignation. The former says that without the Prime Minister Mapai will be weakened and become even more dependent on the General Zionists in the coalition. The only alternative is a Mapai-Mapam coalition on the basis of an agreement on points of principle. "Zmanim" regrets the Prime Minister's decision and says that it does not tally with a feeling of deep historical responsibility in this time of political, military and economic emergency.

Opening of Kook Centre on Sunday

The Prime Minister, the Chief Rabbi, and many guests from abroad, among them Rabbi I. Brodie, Chief Rabbi of the British Commonwealth, will take part in the opening celebrations on Sunday of the Mosad Harav Kook, Jerusalem.

The Foundation, established and directed by Rabbi J. L. Maimon, is designed as a centre for religious Zionist culture in the spirit of its namesake, the late Rabbi Avraham Yitzhak Kook, Chief Rabbi of the Holy Land from 1921 to 1935.

The graceful building on the approaches to the Capital comprises a spacious hall, capable of seating 2,000 persons; a Synagogue, several smaller rooms for permanent exhibitions of ancient books and handwritten texts, a 15,000-volume religious scientific library and archives of religious Zionism.

During the week following the official opening, a series of lectures will be delivered at the Mosad on the history of Hebrew literature by Professor H. Albeck, Supreme Court Justice Dr. M. Silberg, Rabbi S. I. Zeuin, Rabbi Maimon, Dr. J. Azoulai, Dr. L. Wolfsberg, Rabbi R. Margoliot, Professor Yosef Klausner, Mr. David Shimoni and Mr. Y. Rafael.

The Mosad is supported by the World Mizrahi Union and the Jewish Agency and is helped by the Ministries for Religious Affairs and of Education and Culture.

T.A. Demands Help For Social Welfare

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — "Severe difficulties" are expected in the social services in Tel Aviv unless the Government increases its subsidy, Mayor Haim Levanon has stated in an appeal to the Ministry for Social Welfare.

The Mayor pointed out that, while the social services cost the city 20% more this year than last, the Government is proposing to cut down on the IL.193,900 it granted last year.

ON THE AIR

JERUSALEM: 467 M.; HAIFA: 249 M.; TEL AVIV: 31.3, 48.9 & 322 M.

FIRST PROGRAMME

NEWS: Hebrew: 7 a.m.; 2.30, 6.15 and 11.00 p.m. Arabic Programme (including News): 8 a.m. 1.15 & 6.30 p.m.

6.30 a.m. Service. 6.35 Exercise. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.15 Melodies (R). 8.20 Close Down. 12.00 N. "Music at Noon" (R). 12.30 Housewives' Corner. 12.50 Requests (R). 1.45 Vocal Recital (R). 3.00 Close Down.

4.00 p.m. "This and That" (R). 4.30 "Where to Go" (Jerusalem). 4.50 Light Music (T.A.) 5.00 Musical Miniatures. 5.30 Child's corner. 6.45 Children's Hour. 7.00 Concert Hall: Symphony in D major (Voriseck); Concertino Pastorale (Ireland); Lach Dances No. 1-8 (Janavek). 8.00 Beth Zera 25th Anniversary. 8.24 Bible Reading. 8.45 The Knesset & Its Committees. 9.00 The Voice of the Violin (R). 9.15 Piano Recital: Walter Aufhauser. 9.45 Variety Programme. 10.15 Kol Yisrael Orchestra. Conductor: Hanan Schlesinger. Soloist Efraim Wagner: Aria from "The Creation" (Haydn); Aria from "The Messiah" (Handel); "To My Country" (Halpern). 10.45 Night Music (R). 11.05 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME

English News: 1.45 p.m.; 10.15 p.m. French: 2.00 p.m.

4.00 p.m. Opera. 5.00 Programme for Yemenites. 5.30 Mishna Lesson. 5.30 Piano Recital. 6.15 Close Down.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR (32.1 & 49.9 & 460 M.): French: 6.30 p.m. Ladino: 7.00 p.m. Yiddish: 7.30 p.m.

KOL ZION LAGOLA (32.1 & 49.9 M.): 11.15 News. 11.20 Yael Chaim Weizmann, Baritone.

ARMY PROGRAMME (44.6, 214, 226 & 239 M.): 6.30 Opening. 6.35 Classical Requests. 7.30 Today's Events. 7.35 Small Events in the Big World. 7.50 Intermezzo. 8.00 Evening Tubes. 8.30 News. 8.45 Songs. 9.15 Dance Music. 10.00 Close Down.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS (31.77 & 24.92 M.): 6.30—7.30 p.m. News. News Talk. Week's Feature.

Dulles Dodges Question on Arab Rejection of TVA Jordan Scheme

WASHINGTON, Wednesday — Secretary of State John Foster Dulles at a press conference yesterday declined to say what will happen to the American-backed Jordan Valley Water Development Plan if it is not accepted by the Arab Governments.

He said he would rather not talk about it until President Eisenhower's special envoy, Mr. Eric Johnston, returns from his mission to the Middle East.

Mr. Dulles said that this was the sort of question that Mr. Johnston was sent to investigate. He added that Mr. Johnston has had exploratory talks with Middle East Government leaders and will return shortly to report to President Eisenhower.

Mr. Dulles also said that America had resumed economic aid to Israel because that country's Government said it would cooperate with the U.N. in solving the dispute with Syria over the B'not Ya'acov canal project.

He told questioners that Israel's assurance seemed to indicate to him sufficient support for the Truce Supervision Commission.

Mr. Dulles said that the proposed Anglo-Persian talks would have a better chance of success if Persia resumed diplomatic relations with Britain. He expressed his "gratification" at the evidence of renewing friendliness between the two governments following the replacement of Premier Mohammed Mossadegh.

The Secretary had been asked to comment on the progress of talks in Teheran by Mr. Herbert Hoover, Jr., the State Department's oil consultant, who has been examining the situation there. Mr. Dulles said that the talks had been satisfactory in so far as Mr. Hoover had gained a first-hand knowledge of the situation after talking with Iranian leaders, though the talks had been purely exploratory and Mr. Hoover did not have the authority to negotiate regarding Anglo-Iranian differences.

U.S. Refuses News Of A-Weapons Abroad

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (UP). — Secrecy was clamped on American policy on sending Atomic weapons overseas today following a double denial that any A-bombs will be stored in Spain. Defence Secretary Charles E. Wilson and Secretary of State John Foster Dulles made it clear that the U.S. has no intention of broadcasting its plans for storing A-weapons.

Possibly fearing repercussions in Europe, they both pounced yesterday on a statement attributed to Air Secretary Harold E. Talbott that this country would supply Atomic weapons to its air units operating from Spanish bases.

Madrid dispatches said that Mr. Talbott made the statement on Monday after surveying the areas where air bases will be located under the new pact with Spain. Last night, after he had arrived in Athens, Mr. Talbott was reported to have denied the remarks attributed to him in Madrid.

Messrs. Dulles and Wilson made their denials of plans to store A-bombs in Spain at separate news conferences after a talk yesterday with President Eisenhower.

"We have no plans for storing Atomic weapons in Spain," Mr. Dulles said. "If and when we do have plans for storing Atomic weapons, we shall not announce them publicly to the world and to our potential enemy."

Mr. Wilson refused to comment on the meeting with the President but put himself "completely in line" with the Dulles statement.

Plant will Produce Venetian Blinds

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — The 37th plant to be opened in the Bat Yam industrial area in the past two years, a venetian blinds factory, "Tselion," was opened on a two-dunam plot yesterday.

Mr. Y. Milman, owner of similar large factories in the U.S., has invested $100,000 in the plant. The factory will employ about 20 workers at first.

The management believes that the American-style celluloid venetian blinds to be produced in the factory, are cheaper and more suitable than the wooden ones now prevalent here.

Reparation "Spies"

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — An "intelligence service" has been set up in Germany, with branches all over Europe, by the Shilumim Corporation to ensure up-to-date information on prices, the Corporation announced yesterday.

The service advises the Israel Purchasing Mission in Cologne and keeps in touch with the Purchasing Mission in the U.S. In addition, there is a special branch in London with the participation of leading businessmen there and the Anglo-Israel Chamber of Commerce.

The intelligence service informs business firms and the Government here on best reparation bargains.

T.LE TEL AVIV Anti-Tuberculosis League will hold its customary White Flower-Tag Day on Saturday night and Sunday.

Unemployed Wait For Citrus Picking

There were 15,450 unemployed persons in Israel during the week ending October 23, according to figures issued by the Ministry of Labour yesterday. This number, a decrease of 150 from the preceding week, is not expected to show any substantial further drop until late this month or early December when the citrus picking season approaches its peak.

The "difficult areas," where unemployment poses a serious problem, were Jerusalem with 1,658 unemployed; Petah Tikva, 889 unemployed (an increase of 154 in a week); Kiryat Shmona, 296, an increase of 50 in a week; and Tiberias, 594.

The beginning of the rainy season, which cuts down outdoor work, is not expected this time to have a serious effect, since alternate work can be found.

EDITORS OFF TO BRITAIN

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — Four members of the editorial staffs of local dailies left for Britain today to be the guests of the Foreign Office. They will tour England and meet men of all walks of life, from Members of Parliament to coalminers.

The party, which is accompanied by Mr. J. Grant Purvis of the British Embassy here, is composed of Mr. Y. Finkelstein ("Ha'aretz"), Mr. Y. Gromon ("Haboker"), Mr. H. Orgel *(The Jerusalem Post)*, and Mr. D Pines ("Davar").

CONSUL IN THAILAND

Dr. Peretz Jacobson has been granted formal recognition by the Thai Government as Honorary Consul for Israel in Bangkok.

Dr. Jacobson, who was born in Germany, is a well-known eye specialist and directs a hospital in the Thai capital. For about a year he has been acting as a liaison officer for the Israel Government.

Pope Receives Jerusalem Apostolic Delegate

CASTELGANDOLFO, Wednesday (UP).—Pope Pius XII has received in private audience Monsignor Silvio Oddi, Apostolic Delegate to Jerusalem.

Monsignor Oddi was formerly Counsellor and Charge d'Affaires of the Apostolic Nunciature in Yugoslavia. He was expelled from Belgrade early this year.

WANT WOMEN IN JORDAN ARMY

An immediate drive to recruit women as well as men among Palestine Arabs should be instituted, refugees in the Hebron District cabled the Arab League's Political Committee, "A-Diffa," the Old City daily, reports. "This will show the Israelis that we are still alive," it was said.

Boy King Meets Pope

King Hussein, of Jordan, who had been convalescing in Rome following a sinus operation, bids farewell to the Pope before leaving to return to Amman. Express Photo

Saudia's Losses In Anti-Israel Boycott

King Ibn Saud has warned Arab League members that he will lift his country's boycott on the landing of foreign planes which also touch at Israel if the member states do not impose an effective ban, ANA reports.

He claimed that his country's financial loss was about £1.2m. a year.

Lebanon has asked the Arab League to ask both Turkey and Greece to ban El Al flights to their capitals, it was said.

Jews Restricted In Leaving Lebanon

The Lebanese Government has announced a ban on the departure of Lebanese Jews abroad without the prior approval of the Lebanese Foreign Ministry, ANA reports.

The announcement gives as the reason the fear that the emigrants would contact Israel representatives abroad and reveal secrets of the economic and military situation in the Lebanon and other Arab countries.

Anglo-French Zionist Alliance Founded

PARIS, Wednesday (INA). — An Anglo-French Zionist Alliance was proclaimed at a meeting held here between British and French Zionist leaders.

The meeting of senior officers of the French Zionist Federation, under the chairmanship of M. Marc Jarblum, with the participation of Mr. Barnett Janner, M.P., President of the British Zionist Federation, Mr. Alexander Margulies, Chairman of the British Misrahi Federation, and Dr. S. Levenberg, Jewish Agency representative in London, decided on the need for close cooperation between both movements.

EMERGENCY PHARMACIES

JERUSALEM: Abramovitch, 21 King George, 6973. Korem Avraham, 25 Tzefania, 2660. **TEL AVIV:** Geula, 10 Allenby, 62275. Moltzhadsky, 7 Ben Yehuda, 3870. Pilersdorf, 37 Nahlat Binyamin, 6262. Nordau, 192 Ben Yehuda, 23573. Baruch, Hatikva Qr., 67405. **JAFFA:** Noga, near Nogs cinema, 80896. **BNEI BRAK:** Shapiro, Main Road. **RAMAT GAN:** Herzl, 54 Herzl. **GIVATAYIM:** Brijut, 7 Syrkin. **KIRYAT MOTZKIN:** Pundak, 6008.

EMERGENCY PHYSICIANS

TEL AVIV: Dr. M. Shaham, 1 Syrkin, 25842. Dr. N. L. Sacher, 166 Dizengoff, 26382. Dr. E. Levitah, 11 Hayarden, 66507. **JAFFA:** Dr. Weinberg, 4 Rehov 65.

The General Federation of Jewish Labour in Israel

SEAMEN'S UNION

NOTICE

All crew members of the s.s. BIN-NUN are invited herewith to a meeting on Sunday, November 8, 1953 at 11 a.m. in the Union's Office at 10 Rehov Hanamal, Haifa.

The Secretariat.

U.S. Horse Show Side Clinch Team Champ

HARRISBURG (Pennsylvania), Nov. 1, (UP).—With the Pennsylvania National Horse Show closing in a blaze of glory the American horse show team added the team championship to their earlier victory in the three day low score team championship.

The Americans started slowly this week and were unable to break into the winner's circle until Friday, but their riders and horses came through in top form before Saturday night's crowd of 8,700. Arthur McCashin had a perfect round on Rusty for the winners and his teammates, Ronnie Mutch, on Briar Lad, and Mrs. Carol Durand, on Reno Kirk, had four faults apiece for a team total of 8 demerits.

The Canadian horse show team finished strongly to take second honours last night. The Canadian riders, W.R. Ballard, Lt. Col. Charles Baker and Miss Shirley Thomas, had a total of 20 faults. Eight of their faults were scored by Miss Thomas and the other 12 were made by Baker.

Irish Unlucky

With third placing last night, the Irish Army horse show team is the only team in competition here that has placed in the ribbons in every class of the show. The Irish ran into bad luck last night. First Capt. Colin O'Shea, riding Clonsilla, tipped the pole from the second jump, knocked a wooden block off the simulated stone wall, took the top pole off the triple bar and had a refusal and knockdown on the final jump of the course for a total of 19 faults. Another 1¼ faults was added to this for going over the time limit for the ride.

The second Irish rider, Capt. Kevin Barry, on Red Castle, was eliminated when he refused three times at a big triple jump. Since the aggregate team score was to be counted, the rules of the class provided that any rider eliminated on refusals would be assessed 20 faults plus the highest number of faults scored by any other horse. This gave Red Castle 40% demerits. Capt. Michael upheld the Irish team's honour by turning in a perfect performance on Bally Nonty. He cleared all ten jumps without a fault.

English Withdrawn

The English team withdrew from the competition after Lt. Col. Harry M. Llewellyn, on Foxhunter, fell at the last jump of the course. Llewellyn was not injured but he realized that the faults assigned to his incomplete round would leave his team with no chance of winning.

BRITISH OFFER TO JORDAN REPORTED

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (INA). — Diplomatic quarters here state that Britain has offered Jordan to station troops in the latter country as a means of defending her against Israel.

Soviets Want Olympics Extended

LONDON (AP)—Russian sports commentator, Victor Kuprianov, said last Wednesday that he favoured the extension of the Olympic Games. In a broadcast by Moscow Radio, he said the Games "as a means of friendship" should be open to all and participation should not be restricted.

He was replying to moves by the International Olympics Committee aimed at cutting down the size of the Games. Kuprianov said the International Amateur Wrestling Federation Bureau, at a recent meeting in Moscow, opposed any curtailment of wrestling events and called for more countries and more competitors in the Games.

The International Olympics Committee, at its meeting in Mexico City on April 18, put off until next year's meeting at Athens any decision on cutting the number of Olympic sports events and omitting international volleyball, archery and the modern pentathlon events.

A Commission, appointed by the Committee, had proposed to exclude all "artificial" team-games such as gymnastics and fencing.

The Commission also recommended optional sports should be field hockey, handball, archery and water polo, and that sharpshooting, bowling, polo, lawn tennis and table tennis should not be maintained as special sports. The Commission also recommended that participation should be limited to 5,000 athletes.

England Win Against Holland

England defeated Holland in a light athletics meeting between the countries recently during the course of which a number of records were broken. England won 168 points to 100, being in front by 102 to 59 in the men's section and by 6 to 41 in the women's.

The English relay team clocked one minute 39.9 seconds in the 4x 220 yards to knock 1/10th of a second off the record set by the U.S. foursome at the same venue last year.

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"All Blacks" Open With Good Win

The New Zealand "All Blacks" Rugby Union team opened their current tour schedule with a creditable 24-0 victory over Southern Counties at Hove (England) on Saturday.

Playing in bad weather conditions, rain, wind, greasy grass, giving them a slippery ball throughout, the Kiwis nevertheless showed that they were at least the equals of all the famous "All Black" sides that have visited the Home Country.

John Kelly, unerring kicker, shot a fine penalty goal in the third minute to give the tourists the lead. Two minutes later, following a try, Kelly converted, and some minutes later, Fitzgerald broke through for another try, which Kelly again converted, to make the New Zealanders 13-0 up in 12 minutes.

The visitors scored still more before the change-over, with the contribution of a fine dropped goal from Kelly nearly on time to give the "All Blacks" a 21-0 lead at the interval. Of these points, Kelly notched 13 on his own.

The Kiwis only scored once more in the second half but this gave them three more points, following a good effort by Jardine, with an unsuccessful shot by Kelly. (A.R.)

CONWAY (South Carolina), (UP).—Little Jimmy Self completed 24 consecutive hours of golf in which he played 365 holes recently, smashing a 15-year-old world's record for a link marathon.

The five-foot eight inch little "giant-killer" broke a record of 256 consecutive holes played by Stan Eard, of New South Wales, Australia, in 1938.

JERUSALEM CINEMAS

At 1, 6.30 & 8.30 p.m.

ARNON: Five Fingers.
EDEN: Skirts Ahoy (2nd week), **EDISON:** Fanfan La Tulipe (2nd week). (3 and 6.30 only).
HAZAMIR: Miracle in Milan.
OR-GIL: Long Dark Hall.
ORION: Since You Went Away.
ORNA: Destination Gobi.
STUDIO: The Blue Veil.
TEL-OR: The Dancing Years.
ZION: Carrie. (2nd week).

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MINISTRY OF HEALTH — STATE OF ISRAEL
The School for Qualified Physiotherapists
will commence during the beginning of December, in the Rehabilitation Centre, "Assaf Harofe," Government Hospital, Sarafand.
Candidates, male and female, between the ages of 17 and 30 years, are being accepted for the 2-year course.
Necessary educational qualifications: at least 10 years' schooling.
Details are obtainable from the Secretariat, "Assaf Harofe" Government Hospital, Sarafand, Post, Tel Aviv.
The final date for submission of requests is November 30, 1953.

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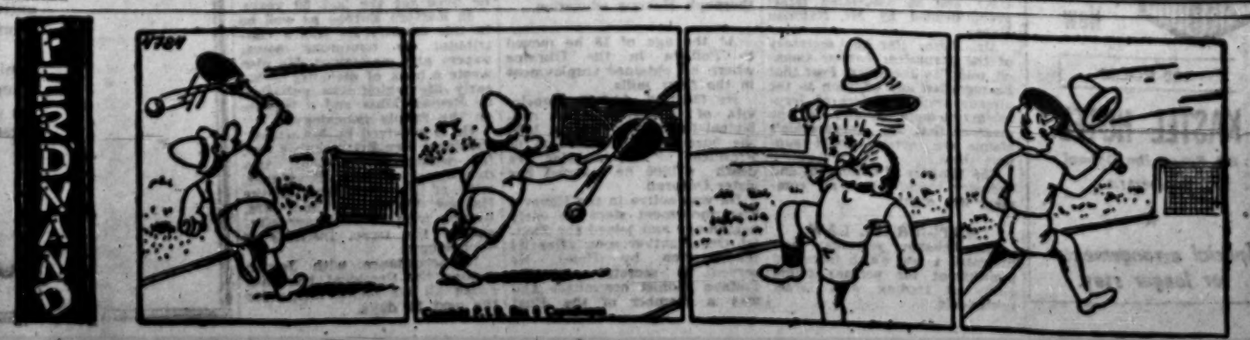

Today's Post Bag

THE WEATHER

	A	B	C	D
Mt. Carmel	43	11	22	22
Tiberias	35	12	26	26
Haifa Port	62	15	25	26
Nahariya	61	16	23	26
Tel Aviv Port	67	16	24	26
Lydda Airport	49	13	27	26
Jerusalem	46	13	22	24
Beersheba	36	11	26	26
Eilat	46	15	29	31

FORECAST: Partly cloudy with high and medium clouds. Rising temperatures.

A) Humidity at 2 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maxim. yesterday D) Maximum temp. expected today

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THE FORTNIGHTLY convoy went up to Mt. Scopus yesterday with a group of visitors.

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CURRENCY IN CIRCULATION dropped by IL.604,000 to IL.186,498,000 for the week ending yesterday.

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MIGDAL ASCALON is today celebrating the Fifth Anniversary of its Liberation.

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AN INFILTRATOR leading a donkey loaded with bottles of cognac and arak was captured yesterday in the western Negev. Upon investigation it was discovered that he had tried to smuggle the bottles from Hebron to the Gaza Strip.

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WHILE CLEANING a ditch and burning weeds, members of Ma'agan Michael in the Sharon on Tuesday found the skull of a man and a Czech rifle beside it.

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SEVERAL BOTTLES of liquor were stolen Tuesday from the home of Mr. Anthony Moore, First Secretary of the British Embassy in Ramat Gan. The thief, a first offender, was apprehended.

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ALL EX-SERVICEMEN and women of the British forces receiving pensions here and who desire to be re-examined by a medical board with a view to regrading, should apply to Mr. L. B. Pasher, 5 Rehov Warburg, Tel Aviv. Other ex-servicemen and women who consider they are entitled to pensions, should hand in their names immediately.

Lowdermilk Leaving For Year in America

Professor Walter Clay Lowdermilk is leaving the country next Tuesday after two and a half years service advising the Ministry of Agriculture, a Ministry spokesman announced in Jerusalem yesterday.

Dr. Lowdermilk, who was here on behalf of the U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization, will spend a year in America, after which it is expected that he will return to take up his lectureship at the Technion in Haifa.

During his period here, Dr. Lowdermilk advised on soil conservation and headed a survey on land utilization, which covered every field in the country north of a line just south of Beersheba. The renowned agriculturalist bade farewell this week to the Prime Minister and the Ministers of Finance, Labour and Foreign Affairs. He was the guest of the Government at a farewell lunch at the Eden Hotel on Tuesday and that evening was guest of honour at a gathering in the Israel Touring Club, both in Jerusalem.

MANDATORY BONDS

The holder of ticket number 400989 in the Bearer Bond lottery (third series) yesterday won the IL.5,000 first prize. The drawing was held at the Ohel Shem in Tel Aviv.

The IL.1,000 prize went to number 401529, and IL.500 to 487496. Numbers 266539, 283863, 294683 and 202893 each won IL.250.

Each of the following numbers received IL.100:

347173, 259073, 359097, 362134, 341199, 223944, 473781, 272346, 439731, 484132, 314947, 482840, 234771, 372293, 334464, 442834, 250277, 458239, 492151, 473619, 237699, 224296, 230065, 345685, 486089, 347999, 291887, 483134, 419296, 362875, 253833, 363715, 448737, 258686, 364991, 439758, 247747, 497569, 238675, 438670, 277097, 314747, 497569, 238675, 438670, 315249, 461951, 368730, 366730, 394594, 257211, 220328, 375079, 385097, 375775, 262486, 301661, 458615, 462948, 376709, 238875, 444279, 481163, 283590, 372264, 236071, 265328, 360683, 392546, 379773, 350185, 329073, 324552, 344068, 375868, 420864, 462511, 324552, 344068, 375868, 313345, 333139, 449586, 370489, 397283, 332855.

Case Against Eshed Strike Opens

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — The District Attorney's case against Eshed for stopping its services throughout the country last January 30 after one of its inspectors died at the Central Bus Terminal here following a brawl, opened here today. The State claims that the stoppage was illegal.

Eshed struck for five hours, claiming that the inspector, Yosef Segal, had been murdered by the crowd, when, in fact, he died of a heart failure.

The trial will be resumed at the District Court on November 12.

PASSENGER KILLED

TIBERIAS, Wednesday. — In a collision between a bus and a tender on the Nazareth-Tiberias road yesterday, Joseph Leibrith, 42, of Haifa, a passenger of the tender, was fatally injured. He died soon after admission to the Edinburgh Mission hospital in Nazareth. Two bus passengers of Kafr Kana, near Nazareth, were hurt. Both drivers were detained.

Possibility of No Meat This Month; Other Rations Ready

Jerusalem Post Reporter

This month's food ration distribution will be about the same as in October except for meat, Mr. A. Halevi, Food Controller, stated at a press conference in the Ministry of Commerce Jerusalem offices.

Due to difficulties regarding ritual slaughtering and export permits for Argentine meat, and transport difficulties of Australian meat imports, as well as damage to Eritrean meat, it is doubtful whether there will be even one ration. Two or perhaps three eggs will be distributed weekly.

All of October's rations have been distributed, with the exception of margarine which will be available until November 12. Oils are still lagging a month behind with September rations being issued until the same date.

All necessary reserves for jam, biscuits, meal, flour, chocolate, sweets, tea, coffee, cornflower and sugar are on hand, and distribution has already begun.

Halva will be issued to children holding Aleph, Beth and Gimel cards. Holders of the two former will receive the new two-monthly cocoa ration (60% cocoa and 40% sugar) of 150 grams.

Now that the Grant-in-Aid difficulties are settled, Mr. Halevi said there will be no difficulty in executing the $42.5m. foreign currency budget for food needs.

Grain (wheat, rice, oats, etc.) will account for $17.4m., oils for food and soap manufacture $7.2m., sugar $3.12m., meat (including $1.35m. for fodder in the chicken for meat programme) $3.35m., and fish $3m. The remainder will be spent on milk products, pulses and potatoes, tea and coffee, food products manufacture, and tobacco.

In addition, $8.3m. will be spent on fodder, with over a third on grains. Fodder reserves are quite adequate, the Food Controller stated, with reserves for at least two months on hand.

Incubation of 650,000 eggs from which will be raised chickens has already begun.

The abolition of linking retailers to bakers in Jerusalem and Haifa has proved successful, following a two-month trial, and will be begun on Sunday in Tel Aviv.

Mr. Halevi stated that in order to prevent speculation, the Ministry will purchase groundnuts during the period of November 9 to December 11 at a price of IL.400 per ton (a cost of about IL.800,000 to the Government). After December 11, the Government will pay a lower price, if it makes any purchases at all.

Israel will buy 6,250 tons of shelled peanuts from the U.S. crop surpluses at a fair price, Mr. Halevi said. This represents about six weeks of Israel's oil needs.

Hog-raisers must receive a Ministry licence within two weeks, he said. The animals will be raised only in the northern region outside the municipal boundaries.

BEN GURION LETTER

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to my deep regret, to leave my work in the Government in the near future, is that it is now six years that I have been working in a state of high tension and enormous mental strain and I doubt whether others would understand this even after my explanation.

"It seems to me that I can say that up to this time I have not spared any mental or physical effort, to the limit of my ability, in order to do my duty as a member of the Government in the determination of the path we are to follow and in making public forces active in the execution of the tasks set upon us."

This strain began before these six years, Mr. Ben Gurion said, as long ago as the time when as Chairman of the Jewish Agency appearing before the Peel Commission in 1936 it became clear to him that British aid for the National Home had ended — despite all legal and international obligations — and that all Zionist policy had to be altered. He had worked under this "supreme strain" all these 17 years.

"I do not have to add that I did so out of love and I do not at all think that I deserve any reward. You know that there is nothing dearer to me than the State of Israel and there is no greater privilege than to serve it faithfully. It is not a privilege alone, but a duty, and I do not hesitate to say a sacred duty. This sacred duty must be fulfilled to the last breath. I hope that I will do so all my life to the best of my ability, as I did since I first came to this country.—

Mental Strain

"But it is a year now that I feel that I cannot bear up any more against the mental strain that I suffer in the Government — while in any other way I cannot work, it was not an ordinary tiredness.

"On the contrary, when I left my post in the Government for a short while I felt almost no tiredness, and it seemed to me that I was able to work as I did twenty or thirty years ago, both from the physical and mental standpoints. But apparently there are limits, for me at any rate, to the mental efforts which can be sustained; I tried to take a vacation and I returned to office, and it was made clear to me, to my great regret, that I am unable to do it any more without a prolonged break.

"I came to the sad realization that I have no alternative except to leave this labour for two years or more, — as I am unable, for all my good will (and I think that I do not entirely lack good will) to bear the necessary and essential strain of my work in the Government."

Mr. Ben Gurion further stated that he could not take the advice of a personal friend to take a long leave of a year or two.

After thinking it over, Mr. Ben Gurion said, "I came to the conclusion that a Prime Minister cannot take a prolonged vacation, even were it constitutional — which I doubt. A 'leave' of that sort would be incompatible with Governmental responsibility.

"A Prime Minister who would not take the full share of responsibility for over a year would fail in his mission and demean the Government and the State."

Mr. Ben Gurion denied press reports attributing any other reason for his retirement than that of overwork. He particularly resented the suggestion that he had spurned some of his colleagues.

"I do not know whether anybody could enjoy the company of more loyal partners than I had on the Jewish Agency Executive and in the Cabinet."

Such differences of opinion as existed within his Party were "proof of joint deliberation on matters regarding the community. No self-respecting person would agree to work with men who have no opinion of their own, or would not defend their views until the issue had been resolved by the majority vote. I have never thought of leaving my work because divergencies of opinion emerged."

United Party

The party to which he belonged, Mr. Ben Gurion continued, had never been more united. No political movement was free from blunders.

"I know the mistakes, past and present, of my Party, as well as my own, I believe, but I do not know, neither in this country, or in this nation, a movement more faithful to its mission, to the State of Israel, to the people of Israel and to the ideal of national and human redemption than the Party to which I belong."

The moral and pioneering forces, the loyalty and perverance found among its members was such as made it a sure guide for the working nation of Israel on its way to great moral and historical goals.

"I am proud to be one of them."

During his long leave from the Government, Mr. Ben Gurion continued, he spent several weeks studying the security situation and the reorganization and the needs of the Army.

"I was encouraged by the results of my review."

He had presented the result of the study to the Cabinet in two sessions and proposed a three-year plan for the defence forces. The suggestions for improvements would not be easy to implement, and would necessitate more improvements, once the first step was made. "But this I know: the security of this country is in good hands. The defence forces of Israel are built on a firm foundation. Their commanders and the tens of thousands of men in the Army, the Airforce and the Navy are worthy of their mission. Any other nation would be proud of them."

After completing his inspection of the armed forces Mr. Ben Gurion individually informed members of the Cabinet of his intention to withdraw for a prolonged period, without however stating the date.

"For I wished, before I left, to assure the continuation and the stabilization of the present coalition. It is my firm belief that the coalition should be preserved without change and without shocks. There is no justification for any crisis or political disturbance. Such things would only harm the State and, in my opinion, the disturbers themselves.

Zionist Mission

"It is quite clear in my mind that the direction this country has taken since it became a State is on the whole, the only possible or desirable direction as long as we believe in the Zionist mission for our State. The road has not been paved by others — no foreigners, no alien force, would clear the road for us.

"We are obliged to find our way by ourselves with our own economy, science and Army, but above all, by our work. For by working hard, and by working well, we shall be able to assure our independence and our future.

"I know, as every other man, the difficulties of coalition. I stood at the head of a coalition for fifteen years in the Jewish Agency and for over five years in the State. Even if there were a stable majority in the nation — and such a stable coalition is, in my view, a vital need — even then it would be a duty to unite all the Zionist force in the State (and in the nation) and have them cooperate in responsibility and fault.

"Now, when there is no such stable majority in the nation, there is certainly an obligation to maintain a broad, Zionist coalition. I have long regretted the bodies that should have assumed responsibility, which for various reasons did not, and which in my humble opinion, thus did grave damage to the State, and if I am not mistaken — to themselves too.

"Even now I am convinced that if it is possible to broaden the coalition and join to it responsible bodies — it should be done, though not necessarily on this occasion, that of my withdrawal. In any case it is clear to me beyond any doubt that the present coalition must be maintained and strengthened and before I leave the Government I will do all in my power to ensure this.

"I find it difficult to imagine that any responsible body in the State will try to make political "profit" (very doubtful "profit", in my view) from the necessity which leads me to withdraw from the Government. I have faith in the comrades who work in the Government, in the comrades from all parties, and I believe that they will be successful in their labour if they continue to work together. Our people, I am convinced with all my heart, will not be a cause of disappointment."

Haifa Mayor Backs Hanukka Toy Fund

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Wednesday. — "With Hanukka and winter round the corner, I am sure every father and mother will these days have a thought for the children who grow up in our border settlements," Mayor Abba Khoushy has told the annual *Jerusalem Post-Sa'ad* Hanukka campaign.

"These children indeed deserve to be remembered at this time of the year, as they and their parents face the rigours of infiltration, of winter weather and of getting on their feet economically under trying conditions," he said.

"The frontier settlers lack most of the amenities which we in town have come to take for granted: decent roads, public transport, telephones, doctors and hospitals within convenient reach, kindergartens, schools and other cultural facilities," the Mayor said. "I heartily welcome *The Jerusalem Post's* Hanukka campaign for the benefit of children in the border settlements and hope that at this time of stress and strain along the border it will become the concern of the entire nation."

Village Adopted

He is to back his words by action, the Mayor promised. He plans to put before the Municipal Council a proposal to "adopt" the frontier village of Ma'or (near Karkur) which a group of former Haifa Port workers founded this summer. He hoped the Municipal Council would vote the children of Ma'or a playground of the kind that was provided for the children of Haifa this year. "The town couldn't make them a finer Hanukka gift, and I hope other towns and local councils will join and adopt frontier children, too," he said. "We townsfolk should show the outlying settlements that we not merely read about their hard life in the papers, but are ready to give them a hand," the Mayor concluded.

The Jerusalem Post-*Sa'ad Toy Fund, in cooperation with "Emunim" has opened a subscription list for the "adoption" of children in frontier villages by local authorities, professional and other associations, public and private enterprises. Israel has 951 kilometres of frontiers. Children who grow up on or near these frontiers should not feel that they are under-privileged. Hanukka is the time to show them that they are not only the children of their parents, but of the entire nation.*

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Bin Nun Crew Return

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Wednesday. — Together with 52 immigrants, the s.s. Negbah this morning brought 16 Israel seamen from the s.s. Bin Nun, which is lying under attachment orders in Taranto, Italy. The men said that the attachment orders would expire on November 19 and the ship would then be sold by public auction. Only one Israel seaman remained on the vessel because he has no home here.

The Judges Line, the ship's owners, reportedly owe the crew a total of $40,000 in wages. This claim would get priority if the ship is auctioned off.

The men said that they had lived on tinned food for many weeks, but recently the Israel Consul gave them money to buy fresh food. They had remained on board the vessel all the time, as they had had no money to go ashore.

Deaf-Mute 'Stars' In Filmed Testimony

TEL AVIV, Wednesday (ITIM) — A film "starring" a deaf-mute prosecution witness, two murder suspects and a neighbour playing the role of an allegedly murdered man was presented by the police in the Magistrate's Court here today. This was the first time a film had ever been shown in an Israel Court.

The event was part of the preliminary investigation, conducted by Magistrate Y. Harel, of two elderly Arab brothers, Jaffa beggars, who are charged with the alleged murder of a third beggar who had shared their room.

The witness is a deaf-mute who lives in a room next to the defendants' room and who witnessed the alleged crime. In the five minute-long film he demonstrated the scenes he had witnessed, while a policeman added verbal explanations to the courtroom.

Memorial Meeting

HADERA, Wednesday— A memorial ceremony on the 30th day after the death of Moshe Smilansky, the writer, was held today at the Pardess Hanna Agricultural School of which Smilansky was one of the founders.

Among the speakers was Dr. A. Biran, Director of the Seminary, who is the only survivor of the three founders of the agricultural school. He eulogised Smilansky as a public figure, a writer and a farmer and stressed his part in the development of the School.

Exports to Turkey Beyond Expectation

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — Exports to Turkey have recently been going much better than was originally anticipated. The income at times exceeds the amounts which can be utilized for current purchases on the Turkish market within the limits set by our import programme and under the terms of the Israel-Turkish trade agreement, it is learned from reliable sources.

The credit "swing" of the Israel-Turkish clearing account has been increased from $1m. to $1.5m., and a further increase may be deemed necessary.

Treasury officials regard this development as ample evidence that the complaints about the discount fixed for "clearing dollars" were misplaced. At present the discount rate for the Turkish account is 10%.

Govt. Attacked On Moslem Law

Post Knesset Correspondent

A political twist was introduced in the debate on the Moslem Shari'a Courts in the Knesset yesterday. Mr. M.E. Genichovsky (Hapoel Hamizrahi) regretted that the law perpetuated the extensive juriadiction of the Moslem Religious Courts, which compare unfavourably with the Jewish Rabbinical Courts; Dr. Y. Bader (Herut) recalled that the head of the Moslem Religious Council was for a long time Haj Amin el Husseini, the former Mufti of Jerusalem, and charged the government with "fear of Dulles, Bennike, or the Coalition," because they perpetuated antiquated legislation.

Mr. D. Bar-Rav-Hay (Mapai) refuted the charge, made a day earlier by Mr. Emile Habibi (Communist), that the bill discriminated against Moslem citizens. The bill only gave legal sanction to ancient Moslem religious custom. "Neither of us is entitled to trace new paths for the development of Moslem Communities," Mr. Bar-Rav-Hay said.

The bill was referred to the Legislative Committee over the opposition of the Communists, Mapam abstaining.

The Knesset also relegated to the Finance Committee the right to fix the remuneration of judges.

Next week's agenda includes the Knesset Basic Law and the Crimes Against the State Bill.

Stormy Exchanges In Berman Trial

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Wednesday. — Today's hearing in the Berman case was so stormy that even Defence Counsel Y. Salomon warned the former Hadera Mayor, charged with embezzling municipal funds, that he would leave the courtroom if he did not control his temper.

Cross-examined by District Attorney L. Rabinovitz on cash orders made out to fictitious names, the accused said he had signed them without examining them closely because of pressure of work and because of his faith in Arye Kraus, Municipal Treasurer.

Confronted with payment orders in fictitious names for sums paid by cheque to municipal employees, Berman said they had been for overtime. He said he would not have signed them had he noticed that they were in false names.

When Mr. Rabinovitz showed him a payment order for IL.18,750 made out to Mr. Davidson, Carmel Mizrahi agent in Hadera, Berman said he had signed it without reading it.

Another payment order for a motor trip from Naharlya to Hadera had been for Berman, the prosecutor claimed. "You are insulting my wife," the accused shouted, a remark which Rabinovitz deeply resented.

The trial will continue tomorrow.

Elath Asks Revival Of Jewish-Arab Cooperation

LONDON, Wednesday (Reuter). — Ambassador Eliahu Elath said here last night that his Government welcomed the idea of the joint use of water resources along Israel's borders.

He thought that inter-dependence on this point might lead to understanding in wider economic fields and eventually "to peace and full cooperation."

Mr. Elath called for a return to the spirit of the Weizmann-Feisal Agreement—made shortly after World War I—and to the days of earlier cooperation between Jews and Arabs in Spain and elsewhere when the two peoples showed how harmoniously they could work together.

Dr. Edith Summerskill, Labour M.P., pleading for the reform of marriage laws in Israel, said that emancipation had been denied to women there, and that the laws of the country discriminated greatly against her sex.

Women of Israel had been left in the cruellest bondage while men were free, she said.

The meeting was organised by the Zionist Federation of Great Britain and Ireland.

THE LAST Philippine Airlines (P.A.L.) plane to pass through Lydda Airport took off on the London-Manila route yesterday. From today the Company's planes will pass through Beirut.

Russian Oil Good For Refining Here

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Wednesday. — Although the samples of Russian crude oil, which recently arrived by air in two 75 kg. barrels, is not of high quality, refining it at the Consolidated Refineries plant here presents no major technical difficulties, it is reported here.

As elaborate tests in the C.R.L. laboratories have shown, the normal range of petroleum products (except aviation fuel, for which the C.R.L. plant is not yet geared) can be derived from Russian crude oil although in proportions different from the Caribbean and Persian Gulf oils normally refined here.

Certain adjustments will have to be made in the refining processes to answer the specific properties of the Russian oil.

The Israel Fuel Corporation, which had asked C.R.L. to make the tests, will now have to weigh the factors of quality, price, and low transport costs from the Black Sea to Haifa, against the high tanker charges from Venezuela.

Mr. I.R. Kosloff, Fuel Commissioner, declined in Jerusalem last night to confirm these reported results, saying that tests were not yet completed.

Malayan Rubber On The Way

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — Several hundred tons of natural rubber have been purchased by the Shilumim Corporation from Malaya under a German clearing account and it is hoped that more may be obtained, thus bringing the total to at least 1,500 tons.

The first 100 tons of the smoked rubber sheets are already on the way to Israel aboard the steamer "Debrecen" sailing from Hamburg. Rubber to the amount of about DM.2m. had been ordered by the Alliance and General Tire Factories and other local industries using rubber.

EFFICIENCY TESTS FOR RAILWAYS

Mr. H.H. Fraser, of South Africa, head of a firm of industrial consultants with offices in this country today discussed with the Minister of Communications, Mr. Y. Saphir, efficiency research in the Israel Railway Workshops. Earlier, Mr. Fraser called on the Deputy Minister of Commerce and Industry, Mr. Z. Susayeff.

Mr. Fraser told *The Jerusalem Post* that his staff, 14 local engineers and five from abroad, had worked in consultation with 20 firms, ranging through the metal, textile, foodstuffs and building industries. Following these consultations, an average increase of 80% to 90% in output per man-hour was achieved, without capital investment in new or additional machinery, he stated.

Condemn Cuts In School Hours

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — Resolutions of a meeting of local Parents' Committees which took place here on Monday, state that the parents are "shocked" by the recent cuts in the study hours in elementary schools.

These cuts which hit particularly lower classes and vocational training in schools, constitute a danger to the "cultural future" of our youth, the meeting resolved.

Mr. Y. Tamir, Chairman of the Parents' Committees, described the present "limited hours of study and the inadequate curriculum" as the beginning of a breakdown of "the education system".

The meeting voiced its apprehension at the "precedent" of opening kindergartens at a late date and rejected the current Government proposal to demand payment from parents.

Dr. S. Levin, head of the Municipality's Education Department, told the press today that the Government was not showing concern for education, which has many lacks. Mr. M. Eilon, Chairman of the School Directors' Committee, said that there was a shortage of teachers, and children were often idle during school hours.

KIBYA BACKGROUND

KFAR SABA, Wednesday. — "Public opinion in Britain in regard to the Kibya incident is now interested in what took place before the incident and the background that led to that regrettable affair," Mr. Sam Watson, member of the British Labour Party Executive, now on a visit to this country, said here today.

Mr. Watson and his wife were guests of the mayor.

IRRIGATION PIPES valued at IL.770 were stolen from a Negev kibbutz on Tuesday night.

DISTRICT COURT OF HAIFA

P.B. 272/58

In the matter of the late ELIEZER HARDOFF (formerly Blumberg), of Hadera.

Petitioner: Hariva Hardoff nee Shapira of Hadera represented by B. Rutman, Hadera.

SUMMONS — Let all persons take notice that Hariva Hardoff has applied to the District Court, of Haifa, for an order declaring the succession of the late Eliezer Hardoff, formerly Blumberg, who died in Tel Aviv on June 29, 1953, and that the said application will be heard on November 17, 1958 at 10 a.m. Any persons claiming any interest must appear at the said place and date, otherwise such order will be given as to the Court seems right.

E. HAZI — Registrar.

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Nobel Prize Winners Named

STOCKHOLM, Wednesday (Reuter). — This year's Nobel Prize for physics goes to Dr. Fritz Zernike, 65-year-old Dutch pioneer of the electro-microscope, who is Professor of Physics in Groningen University. It was announced yesterday by the Swedish Academy of Science.

The Nobel Chemistry Prize goes to Professor Hermann Staudinger, of Freiburg, West Germany, whose research did much to create the modern plastics industry. He is 73.

3 Czechs Shoot Way To West Berlin

MUNICH, Wednesday (Reuter). — Three Czechs, one badly wounded, told yesterday how they shot their way to freedom in a running gun battle with East German Police.

Now safe in West Berlin, the men said they were the survivors of a band of partisans who decided to flee to the West after listening to Allied broadcasts.

Two of their fellow countrymen were killed or captured during their trek to freedom.

At least four Communist policemen were killed and several others wounded as the party fought its way to West Berlin, the survivors said in an exclusive interview with Radio Free Europe, the American news service, in Munich.

U.S. officials named the men as Czirard Maczin, Joseph Maczin, and Milian Brumer. They sought political asylum in West Berlin last Sunday.

Egyptian 'Belly Dancer' Detained as Communist

CAIRO, Wednesday (UP). — Police revealed today that top Egyptian belly dancer Tahia Carioca was among 15 persons arrested as members of an underground Communist organization.

Tahia attended the recent Communist International Youth Rally in Budapest.

Others arrested included Major Mustapha Kamal Sidky, ex-Commander of deposed King Farouk's Iron Guard; Nagib Fakhri, Minister of State; and Sa'ad Kamel, nephew of Fathi Radwan.

A former employee of the British garrison in the Canal Zone was given a 15-year-prison sentence by the Revolution Tribunal today.

The Tribunal charged that Charles Boulos Youssef had had "contacts of a serious nature with foreign quarters."

Hoover in London For Talks on Persian Oil

LONDON, Wednesday (Reuter). American Government oil envoy Herbert Hoover Jr., today briefed Foreign Office experts here on the Persian Government's attitude towards the urgent problem of restarting the flow of Persian oil to world markets.

Flying in from Teheran this morning, he said he had not brought with him any specific solution to the problem.

His talks here, as in Teheran, are to be an exchange of views for finding a basis for reopening Anglo-Persian oil negotiations.

Authoritative sources said today that the U.S. and Britain have aligned their policies on Iran and are working jointly towards restoring normal Anglo-Iranian diplomatic relations and a settlement of the oil dispute.

The Soviet Government organ "Izvestia" charged today that "American monopolists" are seeking to oust Britain from Persia and "enslave" that country's economic life.

An article quoted in a Tass broadcast said that the "striving of the monopolies of the U.S. to solve in a sense favourable to them the problem of Persian oil," led to the visit of State Department oil expert Herbert Hoover Jr., to Iran.

FREEDOM. — Fusilier Patrick Lydon, sentenced to a year's imprisonment and an ignominious discharge from the British Army for cowardice in Korea, walked from his cell yesterday a free man after the Army decided to confirm his sentence but to remit the prison term.

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Cables in Brief

REGRET. — Queen Elizabeth asked the House of Commons yesterday to name her husband, the Duke of Edinburgh, as Regent should the necessity arise.

DISCUSSIONS. — The U.S. and Japan are to start discussions in Tokyo next week on how the latter country can build up her national safety forces.

INDONESIA.—Indonesian Army headquarters said yesterday that 60 rebels had been killed in two battles and skirmishes during the last few days.

DEBT. — Egypt has agreed "in principle," after six years of negotiations, to pay Jordan 45,000 dinars in compensation for arms confiscated by Egypt while on their way to Jordan through the Suez Canal at the outbreak of the Palestine war, "Falastin" reports.

DELEGATION. — A 12-man delegation of politicians, journalists and artists left Athens yesterday for a three-week visit to Russia. This is the first time the Soviet Government has invited a Greek delegation.

ADMIRALTY. — Admiral of the Fleet Sir Rhoderick McGrigor, First Sea Lord, left London by air yesterday to visit British ships and Naval Establishments in the Persian Gulf and to pay official visits to India and Pakistan.

L.C.C. — Mrs Molly Bolton has been elected Chairman of the London County Council by the Labour majority.

YACHT. — Britain's new 4,000 ton Royal Yacht, "Britannia," launched by Queen Elizabeth in April, sailed down the Clyde on Monday on her first trial runs.

TELEVISION. — The Director-General of the BBC said in London on Monday that the network was adopting a "cautious attitude" towards introducing colour television.

£5m. Gift For Malayan War

KUALA LUMPUR, Wednesday (UP). — The Sultan of Brunei, in British Borneo, has offered the Federation of Malaya a loan of 40m. Malayan dollars (almost £5m.) as a gesture of friendship it was officially announced today. A government statement said that High Commissioner General Sir Gerald Templer has accepted the offer.

In offering the loan, the Sultan wrote, "I realize that at an enormous expenditure of lives and means, the Federation is now fighting our war as well as its own. I think, therefore, that the people of Brunei would like to show their appreciation of the gallant struggle of the people of Malaya against the common enemy—Communism."

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WITH the approach of Hanukka the appeal goes out once again to kindly-disposed citizens throughout the land to rally to the support of the Hanukka Toy Fund sponsored jointly by *The Jerusalem Post* and Sa'ad, and this year, for the first time, with the cooperation of Jerusalem's new national Hebrew daily, "Zmanim." The scope of the Toy Fund has grown with the years and this season it is noteworthy that the effort will not be confined to supplying, purchasing and collecting toys for underprivileged children throughout the country; a permanent aspect is also be given to the activities of the Fund. Playgrounds are to be provided for children in some border settlements and it is hoped in the next few years to satisfy needs along the entire string of outposts.

LET THE CHILDREN PLAY

This is an admirable broadening of the conception of the Toy Fund and one which even a cursory examination of the national scene will show to have been long overdue. In Jerusalem, in particular, wherever one goes one sees children playing amid rubble, in broken and ruined buildings, on builders' sites and in the streets.

But what the big cities lack is as nothing compared with the complete absence of facilities for children in the outposts, particularly in immigrant and border villages. Life in these places is rugged and dangerous and, while children everywhere do manage to find ways and means of making their own opportunities for fun, it is proper that some facilities be given them. Apart from the good it does the children, it is an encouragement for their parents to know that they are not forgotten by the people in the cities, towns and more settled parts whose existence is made more secure by these pioneers living in border villages.

The Mayor of Haifa has given the new aspect of the Toy Fund a flying start by undertaking that his city will be responsible for the provision of one such playing field. It is to be hoped that his initiative will be emulated by other municipalities and perhaps by some of the larger corporations and commercial undertakings. It is also hoped, as a by-product of the initiative of the Toy Fund, that some cities will begin to think seriously about the provision of more playing fields and supervised recreative facilities.

In stressing this new aspect of the Toy Fund activities this year it must not be forgotten that the normal campaign of the provision of toys for every underprivileged child is to go on with unrelaxed vigour. The tens of thousands of children in *ma'barot*, immigrant villages and centres and in the poorer areas of our towns and villages will be looking forward once again to receiving some game or toy this Hanukka. They will have their expectations fulfilled only if the response, either in toys or in money to purchase them, pour in at the same generous level as in past years.

In the adult who sees a child playing happily with a new toy, many deep thoughts must be stirred. What to a grown-up is just a toy, is to an infant a magic key which unlocks the floodgates of imagination and romance. It is not something of the real world in effigy or miniature but a reality to which the child pours out all its longings and hopes. It is the stuff of which dreams are made, and out of the happiness and imaginings of the child are fashioned the thoughtways and the pattern of behaviour of the man. Frustrate a child and you produce in time a misdirected man; give him a happy childhood and you ensure a decent, law-abiding, constructive and inventive citizen.

It is not suggested, of course, that the Toy Fund, by its seasonal gift, does all this for our society. But it does help to redress in some measure that inequality which exists among us, and it does remind us of the greater tasks which still have to be done until no child in Israel shall suffer deprivation or want.

Sir Winston Churchill's War Memoirs (X)

Stalin Condemns Warsaw Rising

The Commander of the Polish Underground Army of 40,000 men, General Bor, was authorized by the exiled Government to proclaim a general insurrection when opportune. Moscow radio on July 29, 1944 broadcast an appeal from the Polish Communists to the people of Warsaw, calling for "direct, active struggle in the streets," now that Soviet guns were within hearing. On Aug. 1, with the Russians less than 10 miles from the city, the Polish Underground Command ordered a general insurrection.

THE news reached London next day and we anxiously waited for more. On Aug. 4 the Germans started to attack from strong-points which they held throughout the city and suburbs. The Polish Government in London told us of the agonizing urgency of sending in supplies by air.

I accordingly telegraphed to Stalin.

Prime Minister to Marshal Stalin.
4 Aug. 44

At urgent request of Polish Underground Army we are dropping, subject to weather, about 80 tons of equipment and ammunition into the south-west quarter of Warsaw, where it is said a Polish revolt against the Germans is in fierce struggle. They also say that they appeal for Russian aid, which seems to be very near. They are being attacked by 11½ German divisions. This may be of help to your operation.

The reply was prompt and grim.

Marshal Stalin to Prime Minister.

. . . I think that the information which has been communicated to you by the Poles is greatly exaggerated and does not inspire confidence. One could reach that conclusion even from the fact that the Polish emigrants have already claimed for themselves that they all but captured Vilna with a few stray units of the Home Army, and even announced that on the radio. But that, of course, does not in any way correspond with the facts.

The Home Army of the Poles consists of a few detachments which they incorrectly call divisions. They have neither artillery nor aircraft nor tanks. I cannot imagine how such detachments can capture Warsaw, for the defence of which the Germans have produced four tank divisions, among them the Hermann Goering Division.

Street Fighting

Meanwhile the battle went on street by street against the German "Tiger" tanks, and by Aug. 9 the Germans had driven a wedge right across the city through to the Vistula, breaking up the Polish-held districts into isolated sectors. The gallant attempts of the R.A.F. with Polish, British, and Dominion crews, to fly to the aid of Warsaw from Italian bases were both forlorn and inadequate. Two planes appeared on the night of Aug. 4, and three four nights later.

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The Polish Prime Minister, Mikolaiczyk, had been in Moscow since July 30 trying to establish some kind of terms with the Soviet Government which had recognized the Polish Communist Committee of National Liberation as the future administration of the country. These negotiations were carried on throughout the early days of the Warsaw rising.

Messages from Gen. Bor were reaching Mikolaiczyk daily, begging for ammunition and anti-tank weapons and for help from the Red Army. Meanwhile, the Russians pressed for agreement upon the post-war frontiers of Poland and the setting up of a joint Government. A last fruitless talk took place with Stalin on Aug. 9. On Aug. 12 I telegraphed to him:

I have had the following distressing message from the Poles in Warsaw, who after 10 days are still fighting against considerable German forces who have cut the city into three. . . .

. . . They implore machine-guns and ammunition. Can you not give them some further help, as the distance from Italy is so very great?

On Aug. 14 I telegraphed to Mr. Eden from Italy, whither I had gone to see Field-Marshal Alexander's army:

It will cause the Russians much annoyance if the suggestion that the Polish patriots in Warsaw were deserted gets about, but they can easily prevent it by operations well within their power. It certainly is very curious that at the moment when the Underground Army has revealed, the Russian armies should have halted their offensive against Warsaw and withdrawn some distance.

For them to send in all the quantities of machine-guns and ammunition required by the Poles for their heroic fight would involve only a flight of 100 miles. . . . I think it would be better if you sent a message to Stalin through Moscow referring to the implications that are afoot in many quarters, and requesting that the Russians should send all the help they can. . . .

Last night 29 aircraft did the 700 miles flight from Italy. Three were lost. This was the fourth flight made from here under these quite exceptional conditions.

No Landing Facilities

On the night of Aug. 16 Vyshinsky asked the U.S. Ambassador in Moscow to call, and explaining that he wished to avoid the possibility of misunderstanding, read out the following astonishing statement:

The Soviet Government cannot, of course, object to English or American aircraft dropping arms in the region of Warsaw, since this is an American and British affair. But they decidedly object to American or British aircraft, after dropping arms in the region of Warsaw, landing on Soviet territory since the Soviet Government does not wish to associate themselves either directly or indirectly with the adventure in Warsaw.

I appealed to the President, and we sent the following joint appeal, which the President had drafted:

Prime Minister and President Roosevelt to Marshal Stalin.
20 Aug. 44

We are thinking of world opinion if the anti-Nazis in Warsaw are in effect abandoned. We believe that all three of us should do the utmost to save as many of the patriots as possible. We hope that you will drop immediate supplies and munitions to the patriot Poles in Warsaw, or will you agree to help our planes in doing it very quickly? We hope you will approve. The time element is of extreme importance.

This was the reply we got:

Marshal Stalin to Prime Minister and President Roosevelt.
23 Aug. 44

I have received the message from you and Mr. Roosevelt about Warsaw. I wish to express my opinions.

Sooner or later the truth about the group of criminals who have embarked on the Warsaw adventure in order to seize power will become known to everybody. These people have exploited the good faith of the inhabitants of Warsaw, throwing many almost unarmed people against the German guns, tanks and aircraft. A situation has arisen in which each new day serves, not the Poles for the liberation of Warsaw, but the Hitlerites who are inhumanly shooting down the inhabitants of Warsaw.

From the military point of view, the situation which has arisen, by increasingly diverting the attention of the Germans on Warsaw, is just as unprofitable for the Red Army as for the Poles. . . . There can be no doubt that the Red Army is not sparing its efforts to break the Germans round Warsaw and so free Warsaw for the Poles. That will be the best and most effective help for the Poles who are anti-Nazis.

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(The Prime Minister sent the President and the Soviet Ambassador in London an eye-witness account of the behaviour of the SS and Wehrmacht in Warsaw, and of the desperate fighting still in progress there.)

The only means of communication between the different sectors held by the Poles lay through sewers. The Germans threw hand-grenades and gas bombs down the manholes. Battles developed in pitch darkness between men waist-deep in excrement, fighting hand-to-hand at times with knives or drowning their opponents in the slime. Above ground, German artillery and fighters set alight large areas of the city.

I thought that some of this tale of villainy and horror should reach the world.

(The Prime Minister suggested a joint message to Stalin proposing the despatch of U.S. aircraft from England to land behind the Russian lines, "unless you (Stalin) directly forbid it." Mr. Roosevelt declined to be associated with such a message.)

When the Cabinet met on the night of Sept. 4, I thought the issue so important that, though I had a touch of fever, I went from my bed to our underground room. We had met together on many unpleasant affairs. I do not remember any occasion when such deep anger was shown by all our members, Tory, Labour, Liberal, alike.

Moderation

I should have liked to say, "We are sending our aeroplanes to land in your territory, after delivering supplies in Warsaw. If you do not treat them properly all convoys will be stopped by us."

But the reader of these pages in after-years must realise that everyone always has to keep in mind the fortunes of millions of men fighting in a world-wide struggle, and that terrible and even humbling submissions must at times be made to the general aim. I did not therefore propose this drastic step.

It might have been effective, because we were dealing with men in the Kremlin who were governed by calculation and not by emotion. They did not mean to let the spirit of Poland rise again at Warsaw. Their plans were based on the Lublin Committee. That was the only Poland they cared about.

(The Prime Minister again appealed to Mr. Roosevelt on Sept. 4 to drop supplies and land on Russian airfields without their prior consent and sent a further appeal to Moscow.)

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On Sept. 10, after six weeks of Polish torment, the Kremlin appeared to change their tactics. That afternoon shells from the Soviet artillery began to fall on the outskirts of Warsaw, and Soviet planes appeared again over the city. Polish Communist forces, under Soviet orders, fought their way into the fringe of the capital.

From Sept. 14 onwards the Soviet Air Force dropped supplies; but few of the parachutes opened and many of the containers were smashed and useless. The following day the Russians occupied the Praga suburb, but went no farther. They wished to have the non-Communist Poles destroyed to the full, but also to keep alive the idea that they were coming to their rescue.

Meanwhile, house by house, the Germans proceeded with their liquidation of Polish centres of resistance throughout the city. A fearful fate befell the population. Many were deported by the Germans. Gen. Bor's appeals to the Soviet commander, Gen. Rokossovsky, were unanswered. Famine reigned.

My efforts to get American aid led to one isolated but large-scale operation. On Sept. 18, 104 heavy bombers flew over the capital, dropping supplies. It was too late. On the evening of Oct. 2 Premier Mikolaiczyk came to tell me that the Polish forces in Warsaw were about to surrender to the Germans.

The struggle in Warsaw had lasted more than 60 days. Of the 40,000 men and women of the Polish Underground Army about 15,000 were killed. Out of a population of 1m. nearly 200,000 had been stricken. The suppression of the revolt cost the German Army 10,000 killed, 7,000 missing and 9,000 wounded. The proportions attest the hand-to-hand character of the fighting.

When the Russians entered the city three months later they found little but shattered streets and the unburied dead. Such was their liberation of Poland, where they now rule. But this cannot be the end of the story.

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DIPLOMATIC SCHIZOPHRENIA

Readers' Letters

RELIGIOUS LAW

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — It has become part of our public life that the non-religious sector of the nation deprecates and challenges the increasing efforts of the other sector to impose religious law and doctrines in the daily life of the nation as a whole. National Service for Women, Marriage and Divorce legislation, public demonstrations for Sabbath observance, and pig breeding are the main bones of contention. Your leader "Appeal to the Rabbinate" (issue of August 14), contains a number of remarkable, though — in my view —misconceived statements. The abiding by a Rabbinical ruling is characterized as "convenient, politically, to seek shelter behind Rabbinical dispensation or prohibition." Distinction is made between "a religious line. . . dictated by Rabbinic decision" and a "line . . . laid down by the legislator." Reference is made to "the penalties which . . . inevitably" follow "an attempt to impose . . . a quasi-theocratic dominion," and then it is said: "People cannot be made religious by Act of Parliament."

It would be well for all those taking part in these discussions to remember what the present legal position actually is. By its first law, the State ruled that the law in force under the Mandate should continue to apply, subject to such modifications and adaptations as follow from the very establishment of the State. Now, since 1945, "law" had been defined to include "religious law (whether written or unwritten)," and so it stands to this day. In the State of Israel, the inclusion of religious law means and refers first and foremost to Jewish religious law, whether written or unwritten. There appears to be no room here for the distinction made in your leader referred to above; these distinctions may apply in countries where the law of the State does not include religious law, and where religious authorities have therefore no place in the legal system of the State.

True, "people cannot be made religious by Act of Parliament" and if it be the opinion of the majority of the people that our law should not include religious law, let the Knesset say so and amend the law as it stands. But in present circumstances, there is cause for very serious concern if the State, whose own means of transport purport to observe the Sabbath, sends a Rabbi to prison for several months for having shouted "Sabbath" in the streets of Jerusalem and opposed the driving of vehicles but who was cleared of a charge of damage to property. We must beware lest, in a vain attempt to avoid a "*Kulturkampf*", we tread the path of plain "*Kulturshande*."

Yours etc.,
DR. R. WEYL

Jerusalem,

INVITATION TO OPERA

The Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Mayor Levanon's statement on the settlement of the Habimah-Opera feud, namely, that "the agreement is a victory for public opinion," was a gratifying one. It indicated to me that the utterances (I shall refrain from applying adjectives) of your correspondent who signs himself G.E.H. (Sept.18) do not represent public opinion. Nothing but the highest standard will satisfy him. I am happy that I can derive pleasure from something less than perfection. Where I come from, for instance, it is customary for groups that make no pretence to being professional players, to get together to play trios and quartets, just for the love of it, and to the delight of a gathering of friends. Don't they do such things where he comes from? I'm sure they do.

It is good to hear that a home for the Opera is to be built. If it is not ready by next October I would suggest that it comes to Jerusalem, where, I am sure, a new and sympathetic audience is eager to receive it.

Yours etc.,
DAVID KLEIN

Jerusalem, October 25.

CONCERT SEASON

The Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The new Concert Season has started — unfortunately with the old methods. Hundreds of programmes are sold by one person in the last five minute rush before the beginning of a concert, and concertgoers are pressed, hurried, pushed and punched in forcing their way through purchasing a copy.

Why cannot the ushers sell programmes outside and in the Hall as is the custom in every other country?

Yours, etc.,
Mrs. L. L.

Tel Aviv, Oct. 16.

FREE LETTER EXCHANGE

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Lately I have seen that quite a number of people from Israel and abroad are interested in exchanging letters. I should like to offer my services to such people by giving them the address of a non-profit-making, non-political international organization, approved by the US State Department and the Educational Service. The address may be obtained from me at 52, Shlomo Hamelech Street, Tel Aviv.

Yours etc.,
SAMUEL DECALO

Tel Aviv.

Men and Things

THE feminist drive to oust man from activities which are felt by women to concern mainly females continues, and is about to be extended to a field where man has hitherto reigned supreme. Women are beginning to complain that they are not adequately represented in the world of dress designing, and in its satellite world of hairdressing.

Since women are always at pains to claim — but not, perhaps, to demonstrate? — that they oppose constancy to man's fickleness, let us consider for a moment what would happen if women's fashions were dictated by women. The first obvious styles would hardly change from year to year, and most designers would be thrown out of work, whil the dress factories would go on churning out set patterns of a sober, demure and utilitarian style. As far as hairdressing goes, instead of this season's short, manoeuvrable hair, which permits the wearer to have a split fringe this week and an off-the-brow sweep next week, we shall expect an Andromeda-like permanency of long tresses, a Griselda-like modesty which will cover the nape of the neck (on focal point of dashing masculine glances!) and emphasize the essential low-browedness of the womanly woman.

Then, after perhaps half a season of monumental boredom, in which the women will have won their point at the cost of losing the (illicit ?) excitement which goes with having their appearance created by men who are in love with the *Ideea* of feminine beauty, the monstrous regiment of women will be swamped by a rush of ordinary and, let us hope, inconstant, women, clamouring for the return of their male mentors. These indispensable creatures will at once repair, the inroads made on the world of sweetness and light which ought to be the province of the feminine appearance.

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Mau Mau Terror in Second Year

By EDWARD BATCHELOR

NAIROBI, —

THE war against terrorism in this Colony has now entered its second year, and in the words of the British Military Chief General Sir George Erskine, "is likely to go on for a long time yet." Terror in its most savage form has gripped the heart of the Colony for the past 12 months.

No reliable estimate has yet been made of the cost in terms of human suffering, but in hard cash close on £2.5m. have been spent in trying to crush the ferocious Mau Mau Society. More than 10,000 British and African troops, thousands of policemen and African members of tribal resistance groups have struggled to quell the rising tide of terrorism. Only 17 Europeans have fallen to the Mau Mau during the year, while something like 5,000 Mau Mau have been killed and probably a like number of loyal Africans have died resisting them.

Kenya's prisons are crammed with Mau Mau members — the latest figure is about 28,000 — and new penal camps and extensions to existing jails are being built as fast as materials can be found. The police force has been doubled in the last year. Practically every able-bodied European is engaged full or part time in some branch of the Security Forces, in the Army, in the Police Reserve or on Home Guard duties.

Farming and industry are beginning to feel the full effect of the prolonged struggle, and scores of large farms are rotting through lack of attention.

(Reuter)

Surprise Visitors in Akaba

By LEO HEIMAN

JORDAN received a big surprise last week when the frigate HMS Surprise, command ship of Admiral Lord Louis Mountbatten, C-in-C British Mediterranean Fleet, and Supreme Allied Commander Mediterranean, called at Akaba on Friday. A Royal Air Force plane which waited at the Akaba airstrip, took the Admiral and Lady Mountbatten to Amman for an unexpected conference with the Jordan Premier, Commander-in-Chief and Government members concerning the problems of Middle East security in general and Jordan's situation in particular.

According to well-informed sources, Britain wishes to transfer a large part of her Suez Area forces to Jordan and, therefore, wants to take advantage of the present political situation and of Jordan's frightened condition to introduce these forces under the guise of protecting Jordan against Israel attack.

Moreover, the sources say, the Royal Navy is quite interested in developing Akaba Harbour not as an alternative to Suez but as a sort of bridgehead and main supply point for Her Majesty's Forces this side of the Euphrates, while Basra Harbour will serve a similar purpose on the other side of the river.

The Royal Navy presses this point, if only because the United States Navy has a giant base in Turkey — Alexandretta (Iskenderun)—which was turned over officially to Turkey on October 20 by the commander of the U.S. Sixth Fleet, Vice-Admiral Cassady, and by the Chief of the American Naval Mission to Turkey, Rear-Admiral Hughes. The Alexandretta Naval Base, complete with docks, yards, training radar and coastal-aerial defence stations and underground storage facilities for half a million tons, is sufficient to service the entire Turkish Navy and the Near East military area. Although officially under Turkish flag and command, there is no questioning the rapid increase in American influence and prestige in this part of the Near East following the completion and operation of the Base.

Reliable sources report that Admiral Mountbatten promised Jordan to double the number of British warships on duty at Akaba (at present a frigate or a destroyer of the Royal Navy is always there) and to increase the British garrison, possibly by a Royal Marine Commando of the Third RMC Brigade (the only one of the Royal Navy) now at Malta.

The Admiral and his Lady stayed only one night before leaving in the frigate. So far, there is no news about any Anglo-Jordanian agreement, but increased activity may be expected in the near future on Israel's southern flank.

It is no secret that Admiral Mountbatten and his American opposite number Admiral William Fechteler are on not too friendly terms and that the British Mediterranean Fleet is very much interested in countering the rising American naval influence wherever possible. So far, the Royal Navy has been on the losing side in this struggle (e.g. Greece, Spain, Persian Gulf, etc.), but now it has no intention of giving up its influence in the Near East without fighting back.

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